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SENATOR CUDABACK: You have about two minutes, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay, could I ask Senator Beutler a question then?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond?

SENATOR DIERKS: I need to have you explain to me again, Senator Beutler, how the cloture deal would work if we were...if we were talking on the first part of a divided question. How...how would you vote?

SENATOR BEUTLER: If we were on the first part of the divided question, and, Mr. Clerk, I'd ask you to correct me, but I believe we would then vote on the divided portion, and then we would vote on the rest of it, and then you would vote on each succeeding motion.

SENATOR DIERKS: The rest of it being the rest of the divided question?

SENATOR BEUTLER: And...but I would...I...on the part of the first vote, Senator, I would ask for confirmation from the Clerk as to how that would work.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, do you...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...can you answer that for me?

CLERK: Well, let me...let me just read the language of the rule, Senator, and I believe that will answer your question. It says, I'm looking at Rule 7, Section 10: If the pending matter is an amendment to an amendment, following...let me see. If the original amendment has been divided, then the vote shall be taken on the original undivided amendment being considered. So I believe...well, I'll let you interpret it, but you...I believe you'd be voting on the Beutler amendment in toto.